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## 3. Approach and Pilot Data

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small gasoline-powered tug which flew the international pilot flag. The pilot, one Wajszczyk, piloted the vessel in and out of subject port.

of long experience at subject port. an excellent pilot

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Upon departure from subject port, the pilot boarded the vessel at the berth and the vessel got underway from the berth 24 minutes later. The pilot was discharged at position labeled designator B

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4. Controls Vessel was boarded upon arrival at the berth by customs, immigration, quarantine, and agency officials. No search was conducted nor were any items sealed. Guards were stationed dockside at the vessel's gangway, bow, and stern. The crew was allowed to go ashore and even take pictures. Upon departure from subject port, vessel was boarded by representatives of the activities who boarded the vessel upon arrival.
5. Berth Vessel's berth was at position labeled designator C. Discharge of 10 thousand bags of cement [ ] Several electric three-five ton traveling cranes were used to transfer the cargo from vessel to dock. These were pre-war German cranes in fairly good condition. Two to four gangs of stevedores worked continuously to discharge vessel's cargo. The chief tallyman, one Krause, was of German descent and had come to Gdynia from Kiel. Discharge was completed [ ] and the vessel departed shortly thereafter. 25X1
6. Naval Vessels [ ] two small cruisers, four or five destroyers, four to six torpedo boats, and six minesweepers operating approximately 10 miles east of the entrance to the harbor. 25X1
- [ ] Two submarines, [ ] were operating in the same area independently of the other squadron. All of these vessels were navigating in the direction of Gdansk. An old German sailing vessel, used for training, was berthed at position labeled designator D upon arrival of the vessel and later shifted to the berth labeled designator E.
7. Merchant Vessels Two Polish freighters of about five thousand deadweight tons were berthed at position labeled designator F. One large freighter and two small coastal vessels were at berth labeled designator G handling general cargo from East Germany. A German freighter of about four thousand deadweight tons from the Hamburg-Südamerikan Line was berthed at position labeled designator H. A Soviet tanker of about 9-10 thousand deadweight tons was berthed at the position labeled designator I.
8. Miscellaneous [ ] prices are very high in subject port. A stevedore revealed [ ] a pair of work shoes cost him about one month's pay. A penny box of matches sells for one zloty. The official exchange rate is four zlotys per dollar. [ ] 25X1
- [ ] Busses were sent down to the ship to transport crew members to the Seamen's Club. Several speed boats and tugs were berthed in the area labeled designator J. Small naval vessels frequently took on bunkers at the bunker station labeled designator K. A small ship repair yard is located at position labeled designator L. [ ] 25X1
- [ ] the opening in the Northern Breakwater labeled designator M has now been sealed. 25X1
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